

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S. 373**

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TO:	The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
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AUTHOR:	Senator Ford	PRIMARY CODE CITE:	61-2-20
SUBJECT:	Alcoholic Beverage Control Act		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES IS:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

This legislation amends Section 61-2-20 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to the administration and enforcement of the "Alcoholic Beverage Control Act" by stating that the responsibility to regulate the sale and manufacture of alcohol or alcoholic beverages and beer, ale, porter and wine is borne by the Department of Revenue (DOR). The legislation also states that the responsibility of enforcing the regulations of the "Alcoholic Beverage Control Act" rests in the State Law Enforcement Division (SLED). Furthermore, the legislation states that any municipal or county ordinance in conflict with the "Alcoholic Beverage Control Act" or the lawful hours to sell alcohol or alcoholic beverages and beer, ale, porter and wine is unenforceable.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Revenue

The Department reports this Bill will have no impact on the General Fund of the State, or on Federal and/or Other Funds.

State Law Enforcement Division

The agency has been forwarded a copy of the Bill and to date has not reported there will be any impact on the General Fund of the State or on Federal and/or Other funds. If required, a revised impact will be issued to reflect any subsequent information received from the agency or made available that could affect this impact statement.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

Five of the six respondents indicated enactment would have no impact on expenditures. One respondent indicated enactment could result in the need for additional law enforcement personnel.

Approved by:



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